New U.S. Patent Application

Docket No.: CFA00065US

Remarks

Claims 19-23 are now present in this application, with original claims 1-18 being

cancelled. It should be noted that the cancellation of the original claims 1-18 of the present

application are not to overcome any statutory considerations. New claims 19-23 are added

to further clarify the present invention.

Conclusion

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, an early indication of

the allowability of each of claims 19-23 in connection with the present application is

earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present

application; the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John P. Keady at the

telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future

replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502456 for

any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly,

extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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